

# Minutes of the Normandy City Council Meeting Tuesday, April 1, 2014 7:30 p.m.

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the City Council of the City of Normandy held a Council meeting on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 7:36 p.m. at Normandy City Hall, 7700 Natural Bridge Rd., Normandy, MO 63121.

Printed copies of all Bills and Resolutions considered at the meeting were available in the Council Chambers.

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were found present:

Councilperson Walter Moss
Councilperson Lelia Martin
Councilperson Delrita Futrell
Councilperson Tony Evans
Councilperson Mark Beckmann
Councilperson Terry Gannon
Councilperson Brian Quinlisk
Councilperson Bob Reid
Mayor Patrick Green

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve the agenda for April 1, 2014 Motion by Councilperson Beckmann Seconded by Councilperson Evans Upon voice vote, the motion carried.

## **COMMENTS OF CITIZENS:**

- Doug Aikin 7728 Augusta- Mr. Aikin stated he was coming as a representative of CAN (Citizens for the Advancement of Normandy), it's a grassroots organization for Normandy. The music festival is going to be on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 on a Saturday. Mr. Aikin stated that if the Council has any recommendation for bands, please let him know.
- Mr. Aikin stated that CAN is helping Tony staff the concession stand a couple of nights a week.
- Mr. Aikin stated there will be a Certified Local Government Forum on April 11, 2014 in Jefferson City, having to do with the historic preservation. This is important to us since we do have a Historic Commission. Mr. Aikin summarized the benefits of attending the forum.
- Mr. Aikin stated that the Wayside Garden opened 2 weeks ago and there are about 80 beds. It is operated by Can (Wayside) leases that property for a \$1 year from the school district of Normandy. They are resource garden with tools and information to get started. Mr. Aikin stated that anybody from your ward who wants to start a garden can contact CAN.
- Mr. Aikin stated that on May 31<sup>st</sup> at St. Vincent's Greenway, there will be a free guided tour. This greenway links the county and city. They are looking for sponsors for the tour, golf cart are \$100.00 for those who don't have bikes. CAN is donating \$100.00 to the cause. Mr. Aikin asked for City of Normandy for \$500.00 for the cause, because CAN is a non-for-profit and has no money. CAN is a part of the Green Rivers Greenway Project. The Greenway runs from North Park-UMSL to St. Vincent's Park. Mr. Aikin stated a detailed description of where the Greenway runs and how beneficial it is to the community.
- > Mayor Green stated that it's beneficial for the City of Normandy to participate as a city to show our

- backing since we are a key artery in this project of it runs through the city.
- Councilman Reid asked what park of the trail do you expect the golf through? Mr. Aikin stated at UMSL, there are some logistical things that still need to be worked out.
- > Councilman Beckmann asked how is this ultimately getting funded? Mr. Aikin stated that some from the Great Rivers' project, but the community should contribute it.
- Councilman Quinlisk stated shouldn't this be under new business? Mayor Green stated yes.
- Mr. Aikin stated that CAN could be added to the regular agenda, because they are part of the City and have been functioning for 7 years.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

a) Minutes from the March 4, 2014 City Council Meeting

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda for April 1, 2014 Motion by Councilperson Beckmann Seconded by Councilperson Moss Upon roll call vote, motion carried.

#### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

#### MAYOR:

- Mayor Green stated that the Great Streets Project final meeting occurred and the project came in \$500,000 under budget. The largest expense in the project is going to be the burying of utilities. The estimated start date will be between June through August, the MODOT commission should have made the awards to the bidders by tomorrow. The project will probably begin with the utilities, because of safety issues and the amount of work. There will be slow downs on Natural Bridge as a result. Mayor Green summarized the construction review.
- Mayor Green stated that there is going to be a 50th anniversary dinner for Christian NE Hospital, Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm to 11:30 pm; would any councilmembers be interested in attending the dinner?
- Mayor Green Making progress on the Sinclair station with one bid that the City is waiting to come in then the information will be able to be presented to them.

## CITY COUNCIL:

- Councilperson Quinlisk asked if we are going to get a financial statement or approval of bills? Mr. Ellis stated from the report of the accountant are complete until January and that she's getting ready to complete February and March reports. Mr. Ellis stated what he will be going over this evening is up to January 31<sup>st</sup>, going over a cash balance and few accounts to give an idea of what the finances are of the City.
- Mayor Green stated that the accountant will be scheduling a workshop with the Council to get a more in depth understanding of the quarterly reports, instead of the prior yearly updates that the Council was receiving.
- Councilperson Beckmann we have more and more material coming, would it be wise to have a workshop just for the Sinclair station? The Mayor agreed that it was a good idea to concentrate on that one issue. Rodney stated that there is going to be a contractor's meeting Friday, those will not be the bid responses, it will be a couple day before they provide the bids to the City.
- Councilperson Gannon stated that she and Jane are working with the honor's students and a couple of people came to the CAN meeting with historical item for the 200 year anniversary; one of the students has created a flyer requesting historical information that can be distributed to the community.
- Mayor Green stated that there is an investor undergoing a \$2.5 million dollar renovation of the Springdale apartments in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward and the apartments will be at market value. This shows that people are realizing the value of being in this community.
- Councilperson Reid stated that he is impressed with the remodeling at the Westlake building that is now the Epworth Children's Building.

## CITY TREASURER:

Charles Ellis stated a summary of cash balances for the City as of the end of January. There is \$2.4 million in all the accounts, general fund \$1.2 mil, in the other accounts; economic development about \$423,000, sanitation fund \$275,000, TIF \$265,000, and parks and storm water \$197,000. There are some due to and due from accounts, there are accounts that owe the general funds to the tune of 450,000; the general funds owes to the amount of \$210,000 to other funds. Beckmann

asked if Mr. Ellis had a balance for the sewer lateral fund? Mr. Ellis stated \$25,421.

Approval of Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2014

Motion by Councilman Gannon

Second by Councilman Martin

Moss \_\_\_x\_Yea\_\_\_Nay\_\_\_Abstain Beckmann \_\_\_x\_Yea\_\_

Moss	x_YeaNay	Abstain	Beckmann	x_Yea	Nay	Abstain
Martin	x_YeaNay	Abstain	Gannon	xYea	Nay	Abstain
Futrell	x_YeaNay	Abstain	Quinlisk	Yea	x_Nay	Abstain
Evans	x_YeaNay	Abstain	Reid	xYea	Nay	Abstain

### **CHIEF OF POLICE:**

- Chief Mininni stated that the DARE graduation is on Friday, April 4,2014 at St. Ann's Catholic School
- Mouse Race is indefinitely cancelled, because the officer was injured who was in charge of it.
- The Police Department will have the assessors from the Missouri Police Chief's Association for our state accreditation on May 1<sup>st</sup> and May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
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- Officer Standiford on January 15<sup>th</sup> 2014 7625 San Francisco performed CPR for 23 minutes on a woman who was unresponsive. He was successful in bringing the woman back to life, which within all medical standards was clinically dead. The Normandy Police Department Commendation Award is given to Officer Andrew Standiford.
- Officer Bryce Schindler has been a forerunner in being an ambassador in the Area Policing Initiative; and is doing an excellent job in community relations and looks for ways to grow the community. Officer Schindler is awarded the Police Officer of the Year Award for 2013.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:**

- > Rodney Jarrett extended an invitation again for the Board to attend the DARE program graduation.
- > Rodney stated that Metrolink is having a memorial April 17<sup>th</sup>, Thursday at 10:00 am.

## **CITY ATTORNEY:**

> Atty. Garrett stated that there was nothing new; there is a resolution that will be discussed later.

#### CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

- > Sharon Warren stated one of our court clerks received a scholarship to the Court Clerk's conference in May.
- > Also, MSLACA has recognized us again for a 2<sup>nd</sup> time and will be having their meeting here with clerks from all around the surrounding area attending.
- Councilperson Martin asked what is the current status for the position of city administrator? Atty. Garrett stated that it will be discussed in close session. Councilperson Martin asked when? Atty. Garrett stated tonight.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS: NEW BILLS**

14-04 Resolution Supporting the Efforts of the Great Street Natural Bridge Community Development Corporation.

> Atty. Garrett stated that this does not obligate the City to do anything. He summarized the resolution stated that this is only showing the support of the Great Street project in writing.

Motion to approve the resolution: Councilperson Reid Councilperson Gannon All ayes by voice vote.

- Atty. Garrett stated that there are three issues that need to be discussed in closed session, real estate and personnel.
- > Councilperson Martin asked how many times a dumpster permit be renewed? Atty. Garrett stated as many times as the Board will approve it. The initial permit is for 30 days.

## ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

None.

## **OTHER NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

## **COMMENTS OF CITIZENS:**

- Mr. Aikin asked again about a contribution from the City of Normandy Council. There was a discussion that the Council would like to know who the money will go to and how the money will be used
- Councilperson Quinlisk requested a moment of silence for Former Mayor Jim Murphy.
- Mayor Green stated that Mayor Murphy had been instrumental in bringing the Great Street Project to this area.
- > Councilperson Gannon asked if it would be possible to draw up a proclamation for Mayor Murphy. Mayor Green stated yes and that Sharon can help with that.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

#### Motion

Motion to adjourn the meeting with the exception of the closed session by Councilperson Gannon. Seconded by Councilperson Evans

Upon voice vote, the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

ATTEST:

Patrick Green, Mayor

Sharon Warren

City Administrator/Clerk